



GEARING UP FOR SUMMER FUN!

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The daffodils are starting to bloom and the spring peepers are singing their songs in the marsh. Both are sure signs of spring. Is summer just around the corner?

Waukesha County Parks are gearing up to prepare for the busy season. The beaches are scheduled to open on Saturday, June 2nd. The lifeguards are being hired and trained. Sign up has begun for summer swimming lessons at all the beaches. Call 548-7801 to reserve a lesson spot. Bring out the hiking boots and walking sticks to take those nice leisurely walks through a natural setting. Start planning your summer picnics in the shelters and pavilions. Be sure and call to reserve a place for the family camping in the park campgrounds. Come on out and enjoy the springtime weather, colors and smells of spring in the natural resource settings of the County Parks System.

With the rejuvenation of spring into summer so is our County Parks System under renewal. Naga-Waukee Park is reconstructing the parking lots. Work started in April and is due to be completed by June 1st. The park is combining and adding some lots near picnic shelters 4 and 5. The upper lots off of Mariner Drive are being resurfaced. Please accept our apologies for any delays and inconveniences this refurbish may cause as the project may result in temporary closures of parts of the park.

Naga-Waukee is also reconstructing Lake Nagawicka's Boat Launch. One side of the boat launch will be open at all times for your convenience. The project is due to be completed by early June.

Speaking of construction! Highway County E near Naga-Waukee Golf Course and Pewaukee Lake Access is under a major reconstruction and renovation project. The entrance into the golf course and Pewaukee Lake Access will be affected as this project proceeds. Alternate routes will be available during the different phases of this reconstruction project.

For further details about the reconstruction around Naga-Waukee Park, stop by or contact the Parks and Land Use Office at 548-7801 for a construction brochure. The Highway E road reconstruction is due to be completed in early October.

NEW COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AND BUSINESS CLEAN SWEEP PROGRAM

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Businesses, farms, greenhouses and nurseries in Waukesha County have the opportunity to dispose of their pesticides and other hazardous chemicals in a special program which began in May and continues through December 2001. The drop off site is at the City of Waukesha Incinerator at 900 Sentry Drive on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 8AM-4PM and every third Wednesday, 11AM-7PM May through October. Pre-registration is required. For registration information, visit www.waukeshacounty.gov/recycling. Active and inactive farms can call the Waukesha County Recycling and Solid Waste office at 262-896-8327 and businesses can call Heritage Environmental Services at 1-630-739-1151 Ext. 288.

This hazardous waste disposal program offers active and inactive farms and small businesses a cheap and convenient way to safely dispose of hazardous materials. Farmers and abandoned farms receive free disposal. Businesses will receive a 50% discount on pesticides only and pay a reduced rate on other hazardous materials. Waukesha County coordinates the program with grant funding from The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP).

WAUKESHA COUNTY GIS ACTIVITY

AUGUST 1998 – AUGUST 1999

Group	Activity
Wisconsin DOT	Parcel and Air Photo Information
UW Extension	Parcel maps and police call activity in Village of Sussex
Sheriff Department	Information provided for: 1)Tactical Situations 2)Missing Persons 3)Training Exercise
Land Conservation	1)Watershed plots 2)Soils Information
Purchasing	Data for radio tower bid
Facilities Management	County owned property plots for analysis
Emergency Management	Plots for emergency planning
Parks	1)Retzner Nature Ctr information 2)Greenway Study Plan Implementation assistance
Village of Sussex	Parcel mapping for use in creating Public Works Management System
Village of Menomonee Falls	Parcel mapping for use in creating Public Works Management System
City of Pewaukee	Parcel mapping files
Village of Mukwonago	Parcel Map for creating Village Base Map
Wisconsin Electric	Parcel maps
Various Engineering Companies	Parcel maps for assisting municipalities & developers with development analysis
Tax Listing and Local Assessors	New set of parcel maps being created for Tax Listing and Assessment purposes